NEED OF AN OPERATION THEATER AT TLM HOSPITAL, FAIZABAD.

Background
The Leprosy Mission hospital, Faizabad is located on the outskirts of Faizabad city on the Faizabad - Allahabad road in the locality called Motinagar. The hospital was established in 1938 for the care and cure of leprosy affected people in the region. Today it is no more an exclusive hospital for leprosy but an inclusive community hospital where both the leprosy affected and non-leprosy patients get their treatment with dignity. This was a deliberate attempt by 'The Leprosy Mission Trust India' to overcome the age old stigma associated with leprosy. The hospital has earned a reputation of providing quality treatment at very affordable costs in the region.

Various ailments related to dermatology, general surgery, general medicine, Obstetrics & gynecology and physiotherapy are treated here. The total annual consultations are more than 82,000 poor patients out of which 4000 cases are related to leprosy. There are 1000 cases of general surgery and about 100 cases of reconstructive surgeries.

FACTS and FINDINGS through need assessment.

- According to the 2011 census 61% of Faizabad Tehsil stays in the rural areas. The population has low paying capacity. Health is a major concern in the region in the absence of good hospitals. The Leprosy Mission Hospital has been able to bridge this gap to a great extent by providing affordable quality health services to people affected by leprosy and other ailments.

- Although a number of diseases are being treated here yet there is a demand from the communities to provide additional facilities in the hospital. Today it is increasingly being felt that the surgical needs of persons with leprosy and non-leprosy persons need a well equipped Operation Theater.

- TLM community hospital Faizabad, is also a Government recognized centre for tertiary care in leprosy and has the mandate to do reconstructive surgeries to correct deformities in 15 districts in the region.
- The hospital is also planning to develop a mother and child care centre with Pediatrics and Obstetrics & Gynecology specialty. This is the need of the hour. Operation Theater is a must in establishing these departments.
- The building plan prepared initially had included a well equipped Operation Theater but constraints of fund compelled us to leave this at the foundation stage.
- TLMTI needs to continue providing inclusive healthcare for leprosy in our hospitals as we enjoy decades of expertise in the field.
- Reconstructive surgeries for correction of deformities in leprosy need to be done on priority basis as there is no such facility available in nearby 15 districts nearby.
- As the hospital is planning to develop the mother and child care facility, surgeries related to pediatrics and gynecology will be done here.
- There is an immediate need for surgical outreach camps to be conducted in the villages surrounding the TLM Hospital at Faizabad. Identified cases will be operated in the hospital. TLMTI has trained surgeons from other centers who can visit and perform surgeries.
- Surgical intervention is included in the next 5 year plan (2018 – 2022) of TLM Community Hospital Faizabad.
- The hospital management has decided to make surgery an ongoing activity.

**Expected outcomes and Impact:**

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<td>Women and Children with surgical needs and life saving emergency interventions will be benefitted from this project.</td>
<td>This will restore women and child health and contributes to health and just society.</td>
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<td>Surgical camps on periodic basis can be conducted with visiting surgeons from other TLM centres and surgeons from other like minded Organizations.</td>
<td>This added facility will lead to provision of holistic care and also will contributes to growth of health care facilities.</td>
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Attachment – Photo of constructed foundation of Operation Theater Complex.

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